## IN THE CLAIMS:

(Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

 an emitting layer between a pair of electrodes that are an anode and a cathode, and
 an electron injecting layer and an electron-injection-suppressing a suppressing layer

arranged between an electrode the cathode and the emitting layer, the suppressing electron-injection-suppressing layer regulating the amount of electrons or holes supplied to the emitting layer,

the electron mobility of the electron-injection-suppressing layer being smaller than the electron mobility of the electron injecting layer, and

the electron mobility of the electron injecting layer being greater than the electron mobility of (8-quinolinolato)aluminum complex.

- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Currently Amended) The organic electroluminescent device according to elaim 2 claim 1, wherein the affinity level (Af1) of the emitting layer, the affinity level (Af2) of the electron-injection-suppressing layer and the affinity level (Af3) of the electron injecting layer satisfy the following relationship,

Af1 < Af2,  $Af3 \le Af2$ .

4. (Currently Amended) The organic electroluminescent device according to elaim 2 claim 1, wherein the electron injecting layer comprises a nitrogen-containing cyclic compound, a

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silicon-containing cyclic compound or a boron-containing compound.

- 5. (Currently Amended) The organic electroluminescent device according to elaim 2 claim 1, wherein the electron injecting layer comprises a nitrogen-containing cyclic compound.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The organic electroluminescent device according to elaim 2 claim 1, wherein the electron-injection-suppressing layer comprises a nitrogen-containing cyclic compound.

## 7. - 9. (Cancelled)

10. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 1, wherein the electron injecting layer comprises a compound represented by the following formula:

$$HAr - L^3 - Ar^7 - Ar^8$$

wherein HAr is a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring which has 3 to 40 carbon atoms and may have a substituent; L<sup>3</sup> is a single bond, an arylene group which has 6 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent, a heteroarylene group which has 3 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent, or a fluorenylene group which may have a substituent; Ar<sup>7</sup> is a bivalent aromatic hydrocarbon group which has 6 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent; Ar<sup>8</sup> is an aryl group which has 6 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent or a heteroaryl group which has 3 to 60 carbon atoms and may have a substituent.